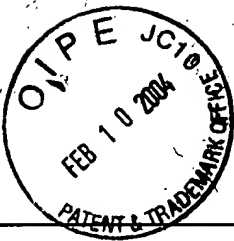


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| | Group Art Unit | 1761 |
| | Examiner Name | Becker, D |
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This is a Request for Continued Examination under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114

- a. ☒ Previously submitted
- i. ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 filed 21 January 2004.
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply brief filed _____.
- iii. ☐ Other _____.
- b. ☐ Enclosed
- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other _____.

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2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months.
- b. ☐ Other _____.

3. Fees

- a. ☐ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees or credit any overpayments to deposit account 18-2025.
- i. ☐ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e).
- ii. ☐ Extension of time fee under 37 CFR 1.136 or 1.17
- iii. ☐ Other _____.
- b. ☐ Check in the amount of \$ _____.
- c. ☒ Payment by credit card (PTO-2038 attached).

SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY

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| Name | Herbert Dubno | Reg. No. | 19752 |
| Signature | | Date | FEB 10 2004 |

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

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